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Gamma Sigma Delta

NEWSLETTER

Nebraska Chapter

Issue #24, February 2002

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am very pleased to assume leadership of Gamma Sigma Delta. I have enjoyed working with a great group of people over these last three years and am looking forward to another exciting year of activities in Gamma Sigma Delta.

This past year has been especially eventful. In the fall we were honored to have one of our own selected to receive the International Award for Distinguished Service. Dr. Lowell Moser, Sunkist Fiesta Bowl Professor of Agronomy and Horticulture, joined a distinguished group of previous recipients from Nebraska including Dermot Coyne, Gordon Dickerson, Charles Gardner, John Schmidt, Virgil Johnson, Khem Shahani, and George Young. In fact Nebraska has more recipients of this award than any other state. I want to especially thank Ellen Paparozzi who was chair of the committee responsible for Lowell's nomination. Please see the next page for the list of other award winners who were honored at the Initiation and Awards Banquet.

Another highlight last year was the annual meeting which featured the Chief of Staff to Congressman Tom Osborne. This event was well attended and Bruce Ricker offered insights into the legislative process and congressional issues that will affect agriculture.

We will look forward to continuing what has become a tradition over the last few years of finding a speaker who will attract a large group to the annual meeting. I am sure the committee working on securing a speaker would be open to any suggestions.

The continued success of Gamma Sigma Delta depends on the hard work of many volunteers who are willing to serve on committees and become members of the executive committee. I would like to thank all who served as chairs of committees this past year who are rotating off. I am also especially grateful to all of those who agreed to serve on committees for the coming year. The willingness of faculty and managerial professional staff to serve on committees ensures the continued success of Gamma Sigma Delta. Another group of dedicated people that needs our thanks are the staff of the executive committee members. These people do much of the

work behind the scenes to support the work of Gamma Sigma Delta. We are grateful for their hard work making the many activities of the organization successful.

This past year another significant change occurred in Gamma Sigma Delta with the retirement of Charles Adams as Membership Coordinator. Charlie Adams, retired Professor of Animal Science had served in this position for over 20 years. We will miss his dedication in maintaining our membership and contacting members to maintain their membership. We are pleased that David Keith has agreed to assume this position and look forward to working with him for many years to come.

This year, the format for the student recognition event will follow the change that we made last year. **Our Gamma Sigma Delta Scholarship Recognition will be Monday afternoon April 8 from 4:30 to 6:00 pm in the East Union.** Refreshments will be served. We want to encourage members to attend and to help us to encourage student attendance. There are many time constraints on students these days and they may not be aware of the benefits of honor societies. We would ask all members to talk to students to encourage them to attend this recognition reception and to join Gamma Sigma Delta when they are invited to do so in the fall.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Past President Merlyn Nielsen for his hard work and dedication to Gamma Sigma Delta. I am looking forward to his continued advice this next year. On behalf of the Executive Committee I hope we will see many of you at the events which will be held this coming year.

STUDENT RECOGNITION RECEPTION

Gamma Sigma Delta Scholarship Recognition will be Monday afternoon April 8th from 4:30 to 6:00 pm in the East Union.

INITIATION AND AWARDS BANQUET RECIPIENTS

November 18, 2001

Excellence in Extension

Dr. Michael Brumm
Professor Animal Science and Extension Swine Specialist
Haskell Agricultural Laboratory
Presented by Dean Elbert Dickey
Cooperative Extension Division, University of Nebraska-
Lincoln

Excellence in Research

Dr. Drew Lyon
Associate Professor Agronomy and Horticulture
Panhandle Research and Extension Center
Presented by Dean Darrell Nelson
Agricultural Research Division, University of Nebraska-
Lincoln

Excellence in Teaching

Dr. Walter Schacht
Associate Professor Agronomy and Horticulture
Presented by Dean Steve Waller
College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Award of Merit for Distinguished Service

Dr. Rita Kean
Professor Textiles, Clothing and Design
Presented by Vice Chancellor John Owens
Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Award of Merit for Distinguished Service

Senator Roger Wehrbein
Nebraska State Senator, District 2
Presented by Vice Chancellor John Owens
Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources

International Award for Distinguished Achievement in Agriculture

Dr. Lowell Moser
Sunkist Fiesta Bowl Professor of Agronomy and
Horticulture
Presented by Dr. John Riley, University of Tennessee
Past President, Gamma Sigma Delta International

IN MEMORIAM

The Nebraska Chapter of Gamma Sigma Delta recognizes the lifetime achievements of the following members who have died since the last newsletter was published.

Archie W. White of Fremont died October 27, 2001. He was initiated into the Nebraska Chapter as a senior in Animal Husbandry on May 12, 1949. Archie was a livestock specialist for George A. Hormel Packing Company until his retirement. He was the University of Nebraska Block and Bridle Club honoree in 1976.

Urban E. Wendorff died January 12, 2002. He was initiated into the Nebraska Chapter as a vocational agriculture education faculty member on May 17, 1954. He was a professor of agricultural engineering and agricultural education at the University of Nebraska and taught vocational agriculture education for more than 25 years. Before working at the University he taught vocational agriculture in Broken Bow and Tecumseh for 12 years and was assistant state supervisor in the state Department of Education for two years. "Urb" was Nebraska Chapter President in 1969 and received the Chapter's Teaching Award of Merit in 1970.

DeLynn Hay

2002 Schedule of Events

Scholarship Recognition

Monday, April 8, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
East Union

Executive Committee Meetings

11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., East Union
February 13
May 8
August 7
October 9
December 11

Seminar and Annual Meeting

Thursday, September 19, 1:30 p.m.
East Union

Initiation and Awards Banquet

Sunday, November 17, 6:00 p.m.
East Union

GAMMA SIGMA DELTA COMMITTEES, 2002

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President: Marilyn Schnepf	2-3735
President-elect: Terry Riordan	2-1142
Secretary: Kevin Meyer	2-2151
Treasurer: Fayrene Hamouz	2-1582
Membership Coord: David Keith	2-8918
Historian: DeLynn Hay	2-1625
Past President: Merlyn Nielsen	2-6406

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Lenis Nelson (2002)*	2-1489
Ken Vogel (2003)	2-1564

AWARD OF MERIT COMMITTEE

Julie Johnson (2002)*	2-2923
Dermot Coyne (2003)	2-1126
Rodger Johnson (2004)	2-6404

EXTENSION AWARD COMMITTEE

Dale Grotelueschen (2002)*	
Jeff Keown (2003)	2-6453
Michael Brumm (2004)	(Concord) 3-2816

INITIATION AND AWARD BANQUET

Mary Jane McReynolds (2002)*	441-7180
James Partridge (2003)	2-3160
Cindy Stuefer-Powell (2004)	2-7980

INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Dick Fleming (2002)*	2-8742
Roger Mandigo (2003)	2-6456
Lowell Moser (2004)	2-1558

SEMINAR COMMITTEE

Merlyn Nielsen*	2-6406
Roy Frederick	2-6225
Rita Kean	2-1911
Irv Omtvedt	2-0272

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Jack Schinstock, Ex Officio*	2-1629
Marybeth Helmink, Ex Officio	2-2916
Lance Meinke (2001)	2-8707
Tim Carr (2002)	2-7940

OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Keith Niemann (2002)*	2-2965
Roy Fredrick (2003)	2-6225
Dan Cotton (2004)	2-2821

RESEARCH AWARD COMMITTEE

Terry Riordan (2002)*	2-1142
Chris Calkins (2003)	2-6314
Drew Lyon (2004)	(308) 632-1266

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Fayrene Hamouz, Ex Officio	2-1582
Jack Schinstock, Ex Officio	2-1629
Alan Corr (2002)	(308) 832-0645
Norm Schneider (2002)	2-8462

SCHOLARSHIP RECOGNITION EVENT

Susan Fritz (2002)*	2-9559
Gail Brand (2003)	(402) 643-2981
Wanda Koszewski (2004)	2-7966
Dan Longfellow (2002) (Student)	435-9987

TEACHING AWARD COMMITTEE

Leon Higley (2002)*	2-8689
Don Lee (2003)	2-1528
Walter Schacht (2004)	2-0205

*Chairperson



2002 Scholarship Recognition Reception

Each spring, a Scholarship Recognition is hosted by the Nebraska Chapter of Gamma Sigma Delta. Sophomores and Juniors in the Colleges of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources and Human Resources and Family Sciences, and the Department of Biological Systems Engineering with outstanding scholastic records will be recognized. Outstanding Senior and Sophomore recognitions will also be made.

The 2002 Scholarship Recognition Reception will be held **Monday afternoon, April 8, 2002 from 4:30 - 6:00 PM in the East Campus Union**. Refreshments will be served.

The program for recognition of our undergraduate scholars will begin at 5:00 PM.

In order to plan for sufficient refreshments, please indicate your attendance at this event by returning the reservation form below.

Reservations must be received by 5:00 PM on Wednesday, April 3.

Please send your reservations today!

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I will be attending the Gamma Sigma Delta Scholarship Recognition on April 8.

You may call in your reservation to **472-5222 x 337** or send an email to **kmeyer@nufnd.uneb.edu**

or return this form to:

Kevin Meyer, Secretary Gamma Sigma Delta
University of Nebraska
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